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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1886. NUMBER 30.

THE OLD KITCHEN CLOCK.

BY AUNT EFFIE.

Listen to the kitchen clock!
To itself it ever talks,
And its place it never walks;
"Tick-tock, tick-tock."
Tells me what it says.

"In a very patient clock,
I never moved by hope or fear,
Though I've stood for many a year;
"Tick-tock, tick-tock."
That is what it says.

"I'm a very truthful clock;
People say about the moon,
Truly is written on my face;
"Tick-tock, tick-tock."
That is what it says.

"I'm a very active clock;
For I go while you are asleep,
Though you never notice me;
"Tick-tock, tick-tock."
That is what it says.

"I'm a most obliging clock;
If you wish to hear me strike,
You may do so when you like;
"Tick-tock, tick-tock."
That is what it says.

"What a talkative old clock!
Let us see what it will do;
The pointer reaches two;
"Tick-tock, tick-tock."
That is what it says.

Nora's Story.

BY CLIO STANLEY.

The melancholy days of which poets
sing had come to earth, and in truth they
were the saddest of the year.

All that summer the world had seemed a
sunny place, made for love and romance.
One day after another had been ushered in
like a sweet guest, sure of approval; and
the light closing over them had made
them beautiful memories.

"Who could be anything but happy?"
I had asked myself the question again and
again; now I laughed bitterly at the
thought of any lasting happiness coming to
me.

I had spent three months at this old farm-
house among the mountains, gaining
strength with every day, until, when I
looked at my own face in the glass, it
seemed like a new face.

Years ago I had been called "lovely Nora,"
but since I had been poor, and worked for
my living, the roses had faded in my
cheeks, the light had died in my once laugh-
ing eyes, and loveliness had chased away
the smiles.

But this summer I had found new friends,
and all the world had blossomed again.
I remember so well that day on the hill-
side, when I had been called "lovely Nora,"
I had thrown myself down on a grassy
ledge, and sat looking off over the quiet
valley, thinking that I was glad to have
health and strength again, even to spend
it in the service of my friends.

Suddenly there came from out the shadow
of the great oaks the figure of a man.
Brown and travel-stained, yet with a frank,
honest expression, that won him a friend at
once.

"He is five years, and I am here," he said,
gravelly, coming up to me and holding out
both his hands.

"Five years?" I said, looking up with
curiosity. "I don't think I could forget a
friend that long. I am quite sure we are
strangers."

"His face crumpled and a sterner look
came over it. He promised me I would come
with or without a fortune. We shall have
to wait for the fortune, but we surely are
the best friends I have."

"You have made a mistake," I stam-
mered. "I am not Nora."
He looked amazed. "I knew I was look-
ing like a little goose!"

"If it was Clara Reed you expected to see,
others have made the same mistake; they
say I look as she did five years ago; she is
really my cousin, you know, only—"

"Only what?"
"It was humiliating, but it must be said.
Only our uncle left all the money to
Clara, and she died five years ago; she was
the best friend I have. And you more I
turned away."

"But gently he laid a detaining hand on
my arm.
"The then is 'lovely Nora.' Pardon me,
but I have often heard your uncle call you
that. But I thought you were the heiress."
"I thought so, too," I faltered. "But
Clara came and saw and conquered." And
I tried to smile.

"And now you have left out in the world?"
"It did seem pretty cold when those I
had thought my friends dropped off one by
one, but I have found better ones since,
and I am quite happy."

"But he hesitated on the little path that
was hardly wide enough for two, and, tak-
ing my basket, said:
"If you are Clara's cousin we must be
friends at once. You made once asked
me to his house to meet you, so you will
not refuse my friendship now?"

"Your friendship? Oh, no! I have not
so many friends that I can refuse one."
So he carried my basket, and began to
tell me the story of his travels as we went
back to the old farm-house.

I left him at the door and ran up to my
room to dress for tea.

That evening I heard marvelous stories
of adventures that I felt almost as if I myself
had been half-way round the world.

The next morning Clara came, and
Robert Hervey was quite the devoted lover
she expected.

There were times when we were all
together in the little world of cool green
shadows on the mountain-side, and I could
listen to the pleasant stories he told of far-
off lands and people, forgetting time and
place, until Clara would say:

"Never could go into raptures over
things, so don't expect it, Robert! I really
don't see how Nora manages to get up so
much enthusiasm."

And then I would blush guiltily and go
away because I knew in my own heart
that it was his voice and kind glance that
made the stories so charming.

One day when Clara had been teasing
me, and had driven me almost to tears,
she followed me to my room, and threw
herself down in the easiest chair.

"So you really think he is nice, Nora?
What would you give to be in his place?"
"Clara," I said indignantly, "how dare
you!"

"My dear child, if you call that an insult
to offer you something you are dying to
have, you must have a strange imagina-
tion."

"Is an insult?" I cried. "How dare
you say it?"

"Rubbish, my dear! I may as well tell
you that I don't intend to marry him. He
is altogether too conceited for a poor man
and I think my money will bring me some-
one more to my taste. The truth is I have
outgrown him since he went away, and I
told him so this afternoon!"

"Clara, you are certainly beside yourself!
You could not outgrow Robert Hervey in a
lifetime!"

"You may think so," she said quickly;
"but even so, I don't want a superior being
for a husband, who will expect me to look
up to him all my life, take my opinions at
his hands, and be none of my own. It
may suit you, but it doesn't suit me!"

"And you have told him this?" I said.
"Not in so many words; but I said I was
quite sure we were not suited to each
other, and, in fact, I thought you might
suit him better."
We had not felt much love for each other

since uncle died, but the little kind feel-
ing I had tried to cherish was utterly de-
stroyed by that speech.

"I shall leave her to-morrow," I said,
quietly. "And I hope I may never see your
face again."

Clara laughed—a hoarse, mocking laugh
—which rang in my ears for many a day.
"You don't half appreciate my generosity,
I fear, Nora."

"Leave my room, please."
"When you will be gone, well, I have
done what I could for you."

I left the next morning, without bidding
any of my friends good-by. I was too
angry and heart-sore to want to see any
one, least of all Robert Hervey.

After that the days were gloomy enough.
I plunged eagerly into work, thinking that
to quiet my restless heart, but work never
seemed so hard before. Sometimes I was
perplexed to go out, trying in society to
find recreation, but in vain; the guests
would hold a sting for me, and pleasant
smiles only called back to my memory a
brown-bearded face and laughing eyes that
had looked down into mine.

And so a winter passed away, and I felt
myself growing old very fast.

And one day Robert Hervey's face
looked down into mine, and I saw that
beside me, until I became ill, and after
that I knew nothing for six long, weary
weeks.

One night I woke and knew that I was
in a strange place, with surroundings that
were not my own, yet seemed to be half
known to me.

I murmured something about school, and
a soft hand touched mine, and warm fingers
closed about my own. I turned my head
slowly, to meet that loving face, with
such winning look in the eyes that it
brought tears to my own to see it.

"Where am I?" I whispered, faintly, for
I found when I tried to speak I had not
much breath left.

"With friends who love you," a voice
whispered back; "but you must sleep now
and not think!" And much to my surprise
I found myself obedient as a little child.
Only one word, "Do not wake," and then
I slept such a sweet, refreshing sleep
that when morning came I felt as if I could
stand securely on my feet again, if I were
to get up.

The beautiful girl who had been by me
when I first woke was with me again, but
would only say she was a sister of one of
my pupils, and I must be good and not ask
questions until I could get up.

Her gay, laughing stories charmed me,
and I grew stronger every day, until one
morning she said I was to be dressed, and
try a great sleepy-bow chair which had
been brought into my room.

And then, she said, "You shall see your
pupil, and you will not be long." And
she bent down to kiss me on my cheek.

"I don't care now," I said, quickly. "My
curiosity is all gone."
But when I was dressed and put into the
great chair, and she left me to send my lit-
tle scholar in, I found I was still a little
curious. There were many among them I
had been fond of, who could it be so fond
of me?

A step behind me, and a voice said,
"Nora!"
Oh, whose voice was it! It thrilled me
with a pleasure that was almost pain.

"Nora! lovely Nora!" And some one
came round to the side of my chair and
took my hand.

At the first sound of that voice, and saw
Robert Hervey standing before me.

"Mr. Hervey! how came you here?" re-
membering everything with a rosy blush;
—and where is my little scholar?"

"The little girl, Nora? I stand six feet in
my stockings; but truly your scholar. Ah,
many the sweet lessons I learned of you
on the mountain-side; lessons of hope and
trust and patience; best of all, lessons of
love, Nora. And now will you take me for
your scholar for life?"

"Oh! and Clara," it was all I could say.
A rush of happy tears drowned every other
word.

"Do not speak of her, Nora. Only tell
me, are you glad to see me?"
"Glad? Oh, yes, so glad!" But then I
began to wonder again who I was.

I think I must have been faint for an
instant, for I found his hand beside me
holding me, and I was in his arms.

"Ye have been so long," he said to explain;
"it is my dear sister, Clara, who came here
when I found you ill, turned my bachelor
apartment into a sort of sanatorium, and
kept you there until you were well. I
could not stay away."

Rose had taken one hand in her gentle
clasp, and I put the other to him.
"It is mine," he said, softly.

"And I am glad to see you," he said, and
smiled.
Would it be the world to me to let it go?
It is only one short week since he came,
but it seems like a long dream of joy.

"Thank God, it is a reality! Clara is well-
come now to the fortune that should have
been mine."
I have my fortune here.

A cowardly, contemptible saying.
"A woman is at the bottom of every
mischievous."

So say a legion of noodles who know
not what they say, and who think they
have heard others say before them.

Do these faddists ever reflect that
there are two kinds of people in the world,
male and female, and as they
generally associate together it is prob-
able that every occurrence will directly
or indirectly involve some individual of
both sexes?

But unfortunately for the faddists,
there are some conditions in life in
which their theory can be thoroughly
tested. In the California and Idaho
gold-mining regions, there are no
women, and yet, if our memory serves
us right, their days and nights were
not altogether passed in halcyon sim-
plicity; but, on the contrary, their
camps were scenes of fighting, stabbing,
gouging, shooting, lynching, and bloody
murder generally.

On board ship they have no women
to make mischief, and yet they are not
altogether lacking in their relations.
Living in brotherly love and harmony.
The soft answer is often a belaying
pin, and the hand of fellowship is fre-
quently at the end of a yard-arm.

Now, if the opposite were a popular
expression, that "there is a man at the
bottom of every trouble," it would be
much more difficult to disprove.

No, the oft-quoted saying is a false,
cowardly, and contemptible one, and
disgrace to the whole male sex. It
shows that men are ashamed to assume
the responsibility of their own evil
deeds, and meanly try to shuffle them
off on the shoulders of poor, weak
women.—*Yemassee*.

Rhyming to Some Purpose.
In a skirmish during the war of the
rebellion, Augustus Penny, a Maine
soldier, lost a finger, and after ward
wrote a rhyming description of the
affair to his wife. In lieu of other evi-
dence, these rhymes have been accept-
ed at the Pension Office as a proof of
Augustus' disability to a pension.

LABOR AND LABORERS.

An Encouraging Outlook in the Industrial
World—The Utility of Water
Power.

A Healthy Stimulus in Manufacturing
and Building Enterprise—In-
dustrial Notes.

The great activity in business circles
during the past sixty days has stimulated
manufacturing and building enterprise in
nearly every State in the Union. The
greatest activity is in the New England and
Middle States. Large mills are to be built
at Fall River, one with 20,000 spindles.
One will cost \$300,000, and run 40,000
spindles. Textile mills are to be erected
at Lunenburg, Mass., at Danby, N. H., at
Olmstedville, R. I., at West. Paterson, N. J.,
and at several places in the South. New
machinery is being introduced, and the
relative merits of water-power and steam-
power. In fact, such active preparations
for an increasing output were never before
known. In consequence there is an in-
creasing demand for improved engines,
boilers, and machinery, and the market
light appliances of every make in the mar-
ket. Electricity is being generally adopted
in factories and large shops.

A discussion has been started over the
latest invention of water-power and steam-
power. The water-power advocates figure
out that steam-power, even in quantities—
500 to 600 horse-power—cannot be created
or maintained at a cost of less than \$50
per horse-power per annum, while water-
power will not ordinarily cost half that
much.

It is agreed that there are hun-
dreds of places in the United States where
valuable water-power can be conveniently
utilized at little cost and confer impor-
tant advantages on those who seek
it. This little used source of power.

The makers of wood-working machinery
have been encouraged during the past
month by a large influx of orders for the
latest improved machines for ordinary work
because of the large amount of work
they turn out at less cost than older ma-
chines.

Several accidents have recently hap-
pened from the falling of elevators without
safely appliances. The competition is very
close between builders.

The British boiler-makers have a system
established by which they may consult an
expert responsible for his advice, and the
whole boiler to him. This arrangement is re-
sponsible for accidents.

An English mechanic has found a new
test, or rather a new process for making a
better quality of steel than is in use at
present. It is good when great toughness
is required.

The Fall River spinners, when they de-
manded higher wages the other day, were
told that the mill had been operated for a
year or more and had not made a profit. Then
they asked why so many new mills were to be
built.

Two large New England worsted mills
are using a newly invented German cor-
dage, but it is to be materially improved, and
the foreign patent will then be purchased.
Manufacturers are watching these experi-
ments with interest.

Several reading-rooms are in successful
operation in New England mills.

Southern textile plants are en-
gaging managers of the North into the
South by offering them large salaries.

The New York plumbers cannot start
their contemplated co-operative shops be-
cause the manufacturers and dealers in
plumbing materials are organized and will
not sell to them.

There are inquiries in English markets,
so a recent English letter states, for 100,000
tons of steel rails from the United States
and the colonies. All branches of the iron
and steel trade are improving, and in consequence
the mill-workers and miners are already
beginning the discussion of the question of
wages. The statement is made that Ameri-
can buyers have inquiries for English
pig-iron for 50,000 tons of blooms
and billets.

American plate-glass makers have so
greatly improved the quality and decreased
the price of their products that they have
orders on hand for delivery up to twelve
months ahead. Two glass-houses were
destroyed by fire last week.

Steel ties are to be made at Chattanooga,
Tenn., for Southern roads.

A Belgium firm has just ordered 1,200
feet of building at St. Louis.

Madame Fursch-Madi.

Below we present a life-like portrait of
the new and famous dramatic soprano and
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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

J. W. Hallock, an old soldier, has begun the publication of the *Reunion*, a journal devoted to the interests of the war veterans of Michigan. The *Reunion* is published at Sparta.

M. M. Andrews commander of U. S. Grant Post G. A. R., of Bay City, has received instructions from department headquarters to institute a post at Reese to be known as No. 358.

The prohibitionists of Michigan must feel disappointed to find that after working hard in hand with the liquor men of the State their efforts to defeat the republican ticket were fruitless. They must enjoy their associations. —*Cheboygan Tribune*.

Said a lady at a camp-meeting recently, "Last night I was clasped in the arms of a wicked man. To-night I am clasped in the arms of Jesus." "Are you engaged to to-morrow night?"

It is rumored that the fusionists in Missaukee county placed J. M. Finn on their ticket for Senator, and voted for him instead of W. H. Miller. Finn did not live in that district, and further was running for Representative in Livingston District. The votes were counted for him however, and Miller got none. —*Oshtemo Co. News*.

Latest figuring places the republican legislative majority on joint ballot at 48. In the last legislature the republican majority on joint ballot was but eight—four in the house and four in the senate.

The election of McGill, republican, as governor of Minnesota, is conceded by the democrats. The *Pioneer Press* claims 5,000 plurality and the democrats concede 3,000. The rest of the republican state ticket is elected by 14,000 to 13,000 plurality. The republicans of that state should nominate a different kind of a man the next time. Three congressmen were lost by local divisions. —*Day City Tribune*.

The Speakership.

It is unquestioned that the next speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives will be a republican. The names of Mr. D. R. Markey and Mr. J. H. Markey are mentioned in the House during the last session as such as to give him an intimate knowledge of the peculiar fitness of the members who will be returned for places on the different committees. He is a fine parliamentarian, quick to decide and not a progressive man in every sense of the word. We hope to greet him as "Mr. Speaker."

In one of his speeches recently delivered in Pennsylvania, Mr. Blaine pointed a moral as to the advantages the democrats have in the "solid south" with this little parable:

A Southerner said to a Northern man, "Let us play a game of billiards for the next Presidential election two years hence—401 points," just the number of electors that is. (Laughter.) So they went down to the Fifth Avenue Hotel to settle the election two years in advance. The Southerner took up a cue—"Go on the presumption that you all know the 163 points in this game; those are mine without playing for them." (Great merriment.) He added, "You will then see that I have to get only 48, while you have to get 201." (Renewed laughter and applause.)

"I confess, gentlemen," added Mr. Blaine, "that I am utterly at a loss to denounce the fraud and the wrong which is so well illustrated by that story."

Our Sandy Plains.

Prof. Kedzie, of the Michigan Agricultural College, was in town this week for the purpose of working up an interest in the question of the plains lands of this section. If the people of this county take an interest in the matter, and so desire, a farmers' institute will be held at Tawas next February, for the purpose of discussing the question of whether the soil can be adapted to agricultural purposes or not, and the best methods of farming it.

Prof. Kedzie thinks that if the people of this section take an interest in the matter, that an appropriation can be obtained from the State for the purpose of establishing an experimental farm, with a view of finding out the resources of the soil. The project is certainly a good one and should be taken hold of by our people. The lumbering industry cannot last a great many years longer, and when that is gone our town will be left without the means of support. It is certainly worth while for our people to take an interest in the matter—at least sufficient to get the institute here next winter, when the question can be discussed in all its bearings. —*Saturday Night*.

The question agitating the minds of the republicans of this district is, how did the vote for Hon. H. M. Lord fall so far short of others on the ticket in Bay county. If republicans there did not vote for the Bay county man, Bay county republicans should remember that "Suss for the goose &c."

A monument to Gen. Grant has recently been dedicated at Ironton, Mo., on the spot where he received, Aug. 8, 1861, the commission raising him from the rank of Colonel to that of Brigadier-General. It was erected by the surviving members of his old Twenty-first Illinois regiment, Colonel and Mrs. J. W. Emerson gave to the regimental association the plot of ground on which Grant's headquarters stood, and on which the monument now stands. —*Chicago Journal*.

The Michigan Agricultural College has taken in hand the investigation of the so-called "pina" barrens in the northern part of the lower peninsula—lands that up to date have baffled most of those who have undertaken their redemption. In pursuance of the plan the Lansing Republican says: Dr. Kedzie has visited the upper counties and traversed the barrens, collecting soils, grasses, fruits and grains for analysis and study, seeing and conversing with the farmers, and all who have a knowledge of the subject preparatory to the holding of three institutes the coming winter at points that shall take in all of the characteristics and qualities of the soil, probably at Bear Lake, Manistee county, Grayling and Tawas. This will be followed by an experimental farm or farms if the legislature shall decide to give substantial aid. These "barrens" of all degrees of infertility comprise several hundred thousand acres. —*Saginaw Courier*.

Proprietary Medicines.

A visit to Dr. Green's Laboratory at Woodbury, N. J., has considerably changed our views, and especially our prejudices in regard to what are generally known as "Standard Patent Medicines." Of course we are getting to that age in life when we are forced to conclude *Life* itself is a humbug, and naturally distrust anything that has not withstood long and tried experience. Being a physician I had the curiosity to know what such a sale of two medical preparations could be sustained for so many years. The perfect system upon which the business is conducted, and the pharmaceutical arrangements of the manufacture of the two recipes with which we were made acquainted, are sufficiently convincing to us that the *August Plowman*, for Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, and *Boswell's Great Syrup*, for Throat and Lung Troubles, were for the complaints they are recommended, most excellent remedies, and only regret that in much of our practice, medical ethics prevent us from prescribing them. The *August Plowman* is a great quantity of valuable letters having been forwarded Dr. Green, from all parts of the country, and from all classes of people, lawyers, ministers and doctors, giving a description of their ailments, testimonials of their cures, etc. I feel like endorsing Dr. Green's suggestion that the Government accept such valuable formulas, and give them for general use, by giving protection to the inventor same as patents generally. —*Copied from N. Y. Druggists' Circular of Oct., 1886*.

A Popular Literary Work.

The third volume of ALDERN'S "Cyclopedia of Universal Literature," now ready (cloth binding 60 cents, half Morocco 75 cents), contains 496 pages, and represents eighty-six of the most famous authors of the world, of all nations and languages, including among others: Boswell, Rossetti, Browne, Brougham, Browning, Bryant, Buffon, Buckle, Burke, Burns, Burroughs, closing with Byron. There are nearly three hundred choice literary selections representing these authors—a truly wonderful amount of entertaining literature for a little money. The following are representative opinions of this work by competent literary critics:

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The *Detroit News*, says: that the democrats claim that a mistake in printing the name of J. Maurice Finn, candidate in the Ogemaw district, on the Missaukee county tickets, instead of that of Rev. W. H. Miller, caused the defeat of the latter for senator. "Gaily the candidate Who has got there Smiles as he walks about, Head up in air. Sadly the other chap Goes to the hole, Pulls it in after him, Mournful his soul."

A Great Paper.

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A Popular Weekly.

The *Detroit Commercial Advertiser* is one of the few old established weeklies that is constantly adding to the value of its columns. Taken in connection with our own paper, our readers would find about every possible requirement in the way of current reading. A brief summary of the contents of a *Detroit Commercial Advertiser* shows the following attractions: "The first page has a column or so of first-class poetry and about six columns of well selected matter, mostly of a humorous character. Page two is the story page, and in the issue of November 19 a continued story begins, that in point of real interest is said to rival any previous serial. Its announced title is 'A Never-Forgotten Story.' Page three is a most interesting department of the paper, 'The Sitting Room,' where at the table are found letters and contributed articles from all who desire to express their views in print. It is really the subscribers' own paper. Pages four and five are the editorial and news pages and give everything of interest in the world's doings for the week, while the editorial columns show a fair and independent treatment of subjects. Page six is the Young People's page and is quite as interesting to old as to young readers. Page seven gives the week's market quotations and must be invaluable to the farmer, producer, merchant and business man generally. Page eight is the Farmers' page and gives a vast deal of practical information on agriculture, poultry, etc. Well-selected original poetry appears on the second, third, sixth and eighth pages, as well as the first and fourth of verse will find all they desire in each week's issue of the *Detroit Commercial Advertiser*, which, by the way, was established in 1861. The publishers offer a special inducement for subscribers, in their Twenty-fourth Annual Premiums, January 1st, consisting of \$40,000 among 100,000 subscribers, and also offer other privileges to subscribers, all of which can be learned by sending for a free sample copy. Address Commercial Advertiser, Detroit, Mich.

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Witness my hand and the Seal of said Office, this 12th day of November, 1886.

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(Signed) RUSSELL A. ALGER, By the governor.

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(Corrected Weekly.)

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Straw, per ton, 12.00.
Rye feed, No. 2, per ton, 21.00.
Beans, per ton, 20.00.
May flour, roller patent, per barrel, 5.50.
May flour, roller mills, per barrel, 5.25.
Process, per barrel, 5.25.
Excelsior, four per barrel, 4.00.
Blackhead Flour, per hundred pounds, \$1.00.
Extra Moss beef, per barrel, 9.00.
Moss beef, per barrel, 10.00.
Medford lard, per pound, 10 cents.
Ham, sugar cured, per pound, 10 cents.
Breakfast bacon, per pound, 12 cents.
Mince meat, per pound, 10 cents.
Clear pork, sides, per pound, 10 cents.
Moss pork, per pound, 7 cents.
Pork head, per pound, 8 cents.
Dried beef, per pound, 11 cents.
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Peanut butter, per pound, 10 cents.
O. G. Java, ground, per pound, 33 cents.
Mocha, ground, per pound, 38 cents.
B. C. & Co's. Mocha coffee per lb., 25 cents.
B. C. & Co's. Arabica coffee per lb., 20 cents.
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Sugar, Extra C, per pound, 7 cents.
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Beans, hard picked, per bushel, 1.50.
Peas, green, per bushel, 1.50.
Syrup, maple, per gallon, 1.00.
N. O. molasses, per gallon, 60 cents.
Molasses, per gallon 55 cents.

The best stock of Groceries in town at Finns.

For Job Work of all kinds call at the

AVANCEMENT office.

Dr. Davis has recovered so as to be

about again.

A large stock of Boots and Shoes

just received at J. M. Finns.

See change in arrival and departure

of trains, in this week's issue.

A fine line of Gents Slippers at J. M.

Finns.

Rasmus Hanson made a flying trip

to Bay City last week.

C. O. McCullough has just received

another fine lot of Boots at \$2.75.

Mitchelson, Hanson & Co. are build-

ing a new warehouse near the railroad

track at Otsego Lake.

Ladies, don't fail to see those \$2.00

shoes at Finns.

Mrs. Hiram Brown, a former resi-

dent of Grayling, died in Chicago, last

week.

J. M. Finn has a bargain in Ladies

Slippers. Don't fail to see them.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. M. Dyer,

of Grove township, Friday, Nov. 12th,

a daughter.

Winter Shoes for less money than

ever, at C. O. McCullough's.

Rev. Wm. Putnam called in to see

us Monday night while in town on bus-

iness.—*Oscego Co. News.*

The largest stock of Boot and Shoe

Paes in Northern Michigan at Finns.

W. S. Fillmore dug 1,000 bushels of

potatoes off from 12 acres of land this

year.—*Oscego Co. News.*

J. M. Finn will give you prices on

Drugs that will surprise you.

O. Palmer went to Jonesville last

Tuesday night. He will visit Hudson

and Three Rivers previous to return-

ing.

Buy your Drugs at Finns' and save

your money.

J. L. Wild shot a wild goose a short

distance from town, one day last week.

He did not get it, but says he saw the

feathers fly, and the goose also.

Ladies will find a full line of wear

for their own use, consisting of Shoes,

Slippers and Rubbers, at C. O. McCul-

lough's.

Main J. Connine, Esq., left for the

woods last week, for a ten day's hunt-

ing trip. Venison will be cheap when

he returns.

Ladies you will find the century and

coronet corsets at Finns', the best in

the city.

John Cole, of Port Huron, went to

Grayling yesterday and will start an-

other camp in that vicinity.—*Roscom-*

mon News.

Buy your Baking Powder at Finns'.

Four pieces of Glassware with every

purchase.

Melvin Bates, who has been residing

in New York State for the past eight

months, returned to Grayling last

Wednesday evening.

C. O. McCullough is prepared to fit

out boys with Boots, Shoes or Rub-

bers, in very short order.

Messrs. Frank Fogg and Del. Ben-

nett, of Jonesville, arrived last Tues-

day morning on a hunting trip. They

will give special attention to bear.

E. Hadley has sold the building he

erected for a hospital, to a party from

Caro, Mich., who intends to open a

General Store in it.

Mrs. M. D. Osband and Mrs. E. L.

Barker, of Frederic, were in Grayling

last Thursday, on a shopping excur-

sion.

Mrs. Capt. Bennett and an assistant

from Roscommon, were in Grayling

last week, disposing of a large stock of

Millinery.

Subscriptions received at this office

for all the leading magazines published

in this country. Subscribers to the

AVANCEMENT will be furnished with

them at reduced rates.

Parties wishing to purchase beef,

pork, etc., by the side or quarter will

do well to call at the Meat Market, as

Geo. Homer is prepared to give lower

prices than can be given by our farm-

ers.

The Song Service at the Methodist

church, on last Sunday evening, was

exceptionally fine and meritorious, and

was well attended. They are improv-

ing wonderfully.

J. Maurice Finn returned last Fri-

day from his trip up Saline River. He

reports the hunting good, but game

must have been scarce as he failed to

bag any.

For fresh drugs, confectionery, sta-

tionery, cigars and tobacco and no-

tions of every kind, go the Drug and

John Carney, a railroad employe,

came to town Sunday and fled him-

self with benzine, got roaring, howl-

ing drunk, and proceeded to make

night hideous, when he fell into the

hands of the sheriff, who carted him

off to the cooler. In the morning he

was fined \$5.00 and costs, which he

paid and left for his work. The

library fund is increased to that

amount, and he is that much poorer,

but the party who violated the law in

selling him the liquor must have felt

ashamed of himself when his victim

was cursing and howling like a mad-

man along the streets. If not, he

ought to be.

David Shoppengon of Grayling, king

of the Au Sable country and guide to

hunters and anglers, was in the city

on yesterday after his winter stock of

ammunition. He is about to embark

on a three weeks' hunt. He has a

whole page of manuscript which he

says is the commencement of a book,

and he wants Congressman Fisher to

get the book copyrighted for him.

David is a good Indian, and is well-

known and much respected by all who

know him. He says he wants his book

copyrighted so that no person can steal

it from him after it is published, and

says he wants the profits of the book

For Sale.

For Sale—Forty acres of land on

Higgins Lake, west of the resorts.

Price \$80.00. Inquire at this office.

Public Notice.

Roffe's addition to Grayling is now

represented by J. S. Harder, who will

be pleased to show the premises and

make satisfactory prices to parties de-

siring to purchase.

Aug. 5, 6m., pd.

For Sale.

80 acres of choice hard-wood farm-

ing land in the township of Maple

Forest, with between 15 and 20 acres

of improvements, with log house and

other barns, convenient to school and

Also 89 acres within 1 mile of the vil-

lage of Grayling is watered by the

An Sable river, about 5 acres cleared

and good farming land. The above

Property will be sold cheap for cash

property can be seen on application.

Call on or address

MARK S. DILLON.

Fredericville, Mich.

Public Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ot-

sego and Crawford County Improve-

ment Company has made application

to the Board of Control of the St.

Marys Falls Ship Canal, for an exten-

sion of time for two years, within which

to complete the improvements. Said

extension will be held on November 25th

1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., or on such

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TO SAVE MONEY

AND PURCHASE A

First class article, buy di-

rect from the old reliable

PIONEER STORE

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Your Nickle Buys More

